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Plans September Bridal



KATHLEEN M. D'AMATO

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Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas D'Amato of 122 West Crystal Brook Dr., Springfield, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kathleen Marianne D'Amato to Phillip James Girard, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Girard of 238 Cooper St., Agawam.

The wedding will take place Sept. 27th in Mount Carmel Church, Springfield.

A graduate of Technical High School in Springfield, Miss D'Amato is employed by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., Springfield.

Mr. Girard graduated from Agawam High School, served two years in the Navy and is employed by Arthur Outhouse, contractor.

Democratic Women's Club
Banquet-Installation June 6

The Democratic Women's Club of Agawam will hold their annual banquet and installation of officers Friday evening, June 6th, at St. Anthony's Hall, Springfield St., Feeding Hills. A cocktail hour at 6 will be followed by dinner and dancing.

Guest speakers for the evening will be introduced by M.C. Mr. Frederick Nardi, and will include Mr. Arthur E. Kelleher of Westfield, Mr. Raymond J. Sweeney of West Springfield and Mr. Edward Connors, vice-chairman of Agawam Democratic Town Committee.

Officers to be installed for the coming season are: Mrs. Ronald Meunier, president; Mrs. Bruno Zucco, vice-president; Mrs. William Keogh, secretary; Mrs. Celia (Please Turn To Page 3)

Valley Church Public
Smorgasbord Sat.

The Friendly Circle of the Valley Community Church will serve a public Smorgasbord Saturday May 31, in the Dunn Community Hall of the Church in Feeding Hills. Sittings will be continuous from 5 to 7 p.m. Reservations can be made with Mrs. Gilbert Bowden 788-0105 or Mrs. Arthur Stanwell, 736-4156.

The menu will include: turkey, baked ham, meat balls, oven brown hash, home baked beans, macaroni and cheese, ravioli, deviled eggs, tossed salad, gelatin salads, pickles, olives, rolls and butter, dessert — ice cream with topping, coffee, tea or milk.

Community Grange
Program June 3

Community Grange will hold its next meeting on Tuesday evening, June 3rd, at the Grange home on North West St., Feeding Hills. During the business meeting the annual election of officers for the ensuing year will take place. All members are urged to attend this important meeting.

Following the meeting a social hour will be enjoyed. Earl and Elise Bradway are co-chairmen of the refreshment committee assisted by Mr. and Mrs. James Sgorbati.

Retired Men's Bus
Trip To Fenway
Park Set June 4

The Agawam Senior Center is sponsoring a bus trip for senior men to a Red Sox ball game on June 4 in Boston and a few seats are still available.

The price of \$6.50 includes bus ride, reserved seat in the park, and a box lunch. Through the courtesy of the Red Sox management, tickets are being sold to Seniors on this day at a saving of \$1.00.

The few reservations still available can be had by calling Henry McGowan at 732-8451 or 736-0980.

Govoni Admitted
To Mass. Bar

Mr. Victor D. Govoni, of Agawam, was sworn in at the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston recently as a member of the Massachusetts Bar.



VICTOR D. GOVONI

Atty. Govoni is a graduate of West Springfield High School. He received his B.S. degree in Business Administration at Norwich University, Northfield, Vt.

While at Norwich, Atty. Govoni was active as a member of Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity and Lambda Chi-Alpha. He was awarded an L.L.B. degree at the

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Ramapogue District Boy
Scouts Promoted In Rank

On Tuesday evening, May 20, at the office of the Pioneer Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America at 1639 Riverdale St., in West Springfield, a District Advancement Board of Review was held for Boy Scouts in the Ramapogue District comprising the communities of Agawam,

Feeding Hills and W. Springfield.

An exceptionally large number of boys went up for the ranks of Star, Life and Eagle Palm for the May period. From Troop 75 in Feeding Hills, Robert Liptak, 13, of 31 Brookline Ave., was promoted to the rank of Life Scout. From Troop 77 of Agawam Richard J. Fecowicz, 13, of 120 Channel Drive in Agawam was promoted to the rank of Star Scout. From Troop 79 of Feeding Hills Thomas Gentile, 16, of 346 Springfield St., received the Eagle Bronze Palm. From Troop 82 of Agawam four boys were promoted to the rank of Star Scout: John Simpson, 14, of 57 Valentine St., Chris Pennock, 13, of 110 Federal St. Ext., David Harriman, 13, of 36 Roberta Circle, and Chris Muldrew, 14, of 25 Poinsetta St.

The boys will receive their badges during Courts of Honor to be held by their respective troops during the month of June.

Lily Ernst's Pupils
In Violin Recital

BRIAN SWEENEY

Lily Ernst will present her pupils in a violin recital Saturday evening, June 7th, at 7 in the Center School, 837 Longmeadow St., Longmeadow.

Pictured above is the youngest participant in the recital, Brian Sweeney, six years old, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sweeney of 47 Roberta Circle, Agawam.

Other participants will be: Lynn Bassett, Alan Chaiken, Ellen and Peter Ciaschini, Robert Ciley, Mitchell Cohen, Dorothy Cooley, Jennie Cushman, Wayne Dolby, Greg, Keith and Tony Griffith, Carol Havens, John Jillions, Christine and Leila Kuselias, Linda Laporte, Christopher McGurk, Katie McKalligott, Lisa Omari, Sheila O'Connor, Sarah Polom, Laurie Ryer, Paul Skvirsky, Richard Stanislas, Brian Sweeney, Stine Thodal, Stacy Thompson, John Weislo, Jimmy and Paul Williamson.

Admission is free and the public is invited.

Catholic Women Install New Officers



At their recent banquet, held in Storroroton Tavern, the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam installed a new slate of officers for the 1969-70 season. Shown in the picture above, from left to right, are: Mrs. William A. Martel, first vice-president; Mrs. Robert F. Anderson, second vice-president; Mrs. Joseph R. Hamel, president, and Mrs. Alexander G. Toczek, outgoing president. Other members of the board include: Mrs. Joseph Lovotti, secretary; Mrs. Richard E. Gingras, treasurer; Mrs. Norbert DeMont, assistant treasurer; directors, Mrs. Alexander G. Toczek, Mrs. James Bussa and Mrs. James A. O'Keefe, Jr.



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AHS Class '64 Set
Reunion For June 7

The Agawam High School Class of 1964 will hold their fifth reunion at St. Anne's Country Club in Feeding Hills on Saturday, June 7. A cocktail hour will take place from 7 to 8 p.m. and at 8 a smorgasbord will be served. Al Bagetti's band "The Enchantments" will entertain from 9-12 p.m.

Eugene Waniewski will be master of ceremonies at the reunion. Serving on the reunion committee are Marsha Della-Giustina, Elaine Borgatti Mastrianni, Rosemary Alajanian Sandlin, Ellen Chagnon, Kathy Shelanskas, Cheryl Rosati Polak, Christine Jeserski, July Bonkowski, Albert Bonavita, Carol Bartolucci, Kathryn D'Amato, James DeVeechi, and Elizabeth Donovan.

The reunion committee has been unable to locate the following members: David Robinson, Donald Headley, Cynthia Chapin, Kathleen Hewitt, Richard Duga, David Williamson, Earl Neill. If anyone has any information by which the reunion committee can locate the above members, please contact a committee member.

Any town merchants who would be willing to donate door prizes would be appreciated by the committee.

Miss Bishop Named
In "Who's Who"

Named in this year's national listing of America's most outstanding junior college students is Cynthia Ann Bishop, daughter of Mrs. Jean Bentley of 12 Haskell St., Agawam.

Her name is included in the 1968-1969 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges," a listing of the campus leaders from more than 600 of the nation's institutions of higher learning.

The annual directory of distinguished students has been published since 1966 and carries only the names of students whose academic standing, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential are decidedly above average.

Miss Bishop is currently a senior at Bay Path Junior College.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, Organist

Miss Donna Ashton, Organist

Mrs. Marshall Keyes,

Sanctuary Choir Director

Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,

Junior/Youth Choir Director

Thursday: 8 p.m. Work meeting for Country Fun Fair.

Sunday: 9:30 p.m. Church at Worship. . . Nursery for infants. Church School in session until 10:45 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour.

Monday: 6 p.m. Women's Society picnic at the home of Frances Fearn.

Tuesday: 6:10 p.m. Youth Choir practice; 6:45 p.m. Junior Choir practice.

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor

Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist

Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director

Mrs. Barbara Briggs,

Church Secretary

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church; 7 p.m. The newly elected cabinet and the present cabinet of the Senior BYF meet at home of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Wing; 8 p.m. Stewardship Committee meet in Davis Hall; 8 p.m. Student's and Servicemen's Committee meet in Worthington Hall; 8 p.m. Missionary Committee meet in church parlor.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning worship. Rev. Lockhart will preach sermon at morning worship service. . . The Right Hand of Fellowship will be extended to new members prior to the communion service; 10:30 a.m. Church School; 6 p.m. Junior High and Senior BYF's meet at

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church; 7 p.m. Senior Board of Deacons meet at church.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Amicitia Circle annual picnic and election of officers.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister

Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,

Minister of Music

Friday: 7 p.m., Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 Sanctuary choir rehearsal.

Saturday: 8:45 a.m., Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m., Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday: 8:35 a.m., Church school, 7th grades thru 12th; 10 a.m., Church service; Rev. Bryan preaching, and Church school, Nursery thru 6th Grades.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney,
MinisterRandall L. Nofall, Organist
Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director

Thursday: 6:30 Cherub Choir rehearsal in Griswold Hall; 7 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary.

Sunday: 10 a.m. Church School for nursery through grade 6; 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Service;

Monday 6:30 p.m. Church School for grades 7, 8.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Confessions.

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

Sunday: 10 a.m. Morning Worship with the service of Holy Communion. Sermon: "Help from the Hills"; 6 p.m. Meeting of the Hilltoppers.

Saturday, 3 p.m. Drawing for Colored Television set at the Agawam Food Mart . . . sponsored by the Men's Club; 5 to 7—Smorgasbord at the Church under the direction of the Friendly Circle. Public is cordially invited.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday — Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday—5:30 p.m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass—7 a.m.

Saturday—8 a.m. Mass — 4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m. Mass.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.
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Larry Thornton, Pastor

Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning worship service. Supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p.m. Evening Service.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Mid-week prayer meeting and Bible study.

(Bible Baptist Church is in fellowship with the General Assn. of Regular Baptist Churches and the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.)

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

152 South Westfield St.
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Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister

Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director

Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist

Mrs. Richard Orr,

Church Secretary

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HELP!

It was Mark Twain who once said that "Work consists of whatever a body is obliged to do

. . . and play

consists of

whatever a

body is not

obliged to do."

And when it

comes to

party-giving,

he couldn't

have been righter! To really enjoy yourself at a gathering, especially your own, you should strive to be free of the backstage details—the washing up, clearing out, refilling up, that are the least amusing parts of the party scene.

If you are going all-out for a special occasion—a silver wedding anniversary, for example—splurge a little further and do hire professional help. These should be hired via an agency whose people are "bonded". This simply means that should the maid then walk off with your priceless Limoges centerpiece, an insurance agent will make up for it. Actually, this rarely happens because bonded help are carefully screened before they're accepted.

What's marvelous about professionals is they arrive, all spiffed up, properly uniformed, and ready, with a minimum of direction, to take over the reins. Of course, I can hear everyone thinking . . . who can afford it? And it's true that professional help is steep. But there are wonderful and inexpensive alternatives. Why not hire your baby sitter for the evening to clear tables, do dishes, refill snack trays. She shouldn't tend bar since that's a man's job, but she could see that the ice supply was adequate and that you had enough club soda and ginger ale for drinks. She could make sure you had a good supply of Pepsi-Cola on the table both for mixer purposes and for those who simply wanted a thirst-quenching soft drink. Local colleges, too, are a good source of part time employees; they'll send a male student around to tend bar for less than 10 dollars for a whole evening. Even local hospitals have lists of off-duty nurses who will fill in as hired help for several hours.

To be a happy guest at your own party isn't difficult. You need only cry, "Help!" and offer a fair wage and you'll have all sorts of marvelously helpful people come running to your aid.

FUNERAL NOTICE

GERALD J. BURKE

The funeral of Gerald J. Burke of 366 Main St., was held May 20, from the Curran-Jones Funeral Home followed by a High Mass of Requiem in St. John the Evangelist Church. The Rev. Maurice B. Martin, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Orange, and cousin of the deceased, officiating.

Seated in the Sanctuary were the Rev. Thomas Griffin, Rev. Edward Kennedy, Rev. Walter J. Joyce, Rev. Gerard Griffin, C.S.S.P., and the Rev. Maurice Griffin, C.S.S.P. Bearers were Thomas and Jerry Sullivan, James Glavin, Charles Hickson, Albert Delacamo, and John Roddy. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery with Fr. Martin assisted by the visiting clergy offering the prayers of committal.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Questions and Answers

Q. My mother is 70 and has been getting Social Security checks for the past 8 years. She suffered a stroke and can no longer sign the checks. How can we cash them?

A. If your mother is not able to write her name, a mark (x) properly witnessed is acceptable as endorsement. Instructions are on the back of Social Security checks). Should a beneficiary become mentally incompetent however, the Social Security Office should be contacted to assist with the assignment of a suitable payee on behalf of the beneficiary.

Q. How can I report a change of address from my Social Security check? Is it sufficient to notify the Post Office?

A. A letter to your Social Security office reporting the change of address (over your signature) is sufficient. Or, the change can be reported on the reverse side of the envelope which brought the last check. The address is indicated thereon. OR, phone your Social Security Office for a change of address card.

Q. I lost my MEDICARE Handbook. I frequently referred to it. Where can I obtain another?

A. A MEDICARE Handbook may be obtained by phoning your nearest Social Security office. Pamphlet racks with Social Security literature are maintained in many local Post Offices.

Q. My M.D. wants nothing to do with MEDICARE. He has been my doctor for many years and I would hate to change doctors. How can I have the same doctor and MEDICARE coverage?

A. Under the MEDICARE program "sign up" or make any other special arrangements with MEDICARE. If he does not wish to "accept assignment" of benefit payment, just submit his bills or your itemized receipts to the appropriate MEDICARE claim office for processing.

Q. I was hurt on my construction job last December. I'm just beginning to walk again. However, my doctor feels it will be a "long and drawn out" recovery. He thinks it will be a year or two before I can attempt to return to work. I am 45. Can I qualify for Disability Benefits under Social Security?

A. If your disability prevents you from doing any substantial gainful work and is expected to last (or has lasted) for at least 12 months you could be considered DISABLED under the LAW. It is suggested you contact your nearest Social Security office. If you are unable to visit the office, a representative will visit you to assist you with the application.

Picnic Suggestions

Hard boiled eggs are easier to peel if you quickly dip them in cold water after boiling and then drain on paper towelling before peeling. You'll have whiter, better tasting potatoes for your vegetable salads if you add milk to the water—about $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of milk to two quarts of water will do it nicely. (And you'll have egg yolks for the salad, too, if you remember to drop into boiling water the yolks left over from baking.)

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Dem. Women's . . .

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Menard, treasurer; Directors, Mrs. Leo Vergnani, Precinct 1; Mrs. Marcel Bedard, Precinct 2; Mrs. John Shea, Precinct 3; Mrs. David Gallano, Precinct 4; Mrs. John Teahan, Precinct 5; Mrs. Jessie Boyer, Precinct 6. Installing officer will be Mr. Edward Caba, Agawam Town Clerk.

Chairman of the banquet committee, Mrs. Zucco, is assisted by club members: Mrs. Menard and Mrs. Meunier, decorations; Mrs. Alfred Christopher and Mrs. Fred Drew, dinner arrangements; Mrs. Keogh and Mrs. Vergnani, entertainment; Mrs. Bernard Battles, Mrs. Bedard, Mrs. Anthony DeMatos, prizes; Mrs. William Chiba, Mrs. Gallano and Mrs. Shea, tickets and reservations.

Eldridge Lemondia, manager of the Blue Star Cafe donated to the lodge, a steam table, deep fryer, and an exhaust fan.

We still serve your favorite snack on Friday and Saturday nights.

Next Legion enrollment is to be held in Agawam on Sept. 28. (More on this later.)

The affair is open to the public and tickets may be obtained from any member of the committee.

Next class enrollment will be held June 14th at 4 p.m. at St. Theresa's Hall, Bridge St., Agawam, followed by the Officers Installation at 5 p.m. How about you fellows that have paid your \$10.00? Smorgasbord and dancing will follow.

Ritual Team Formed
We recently formed a Ritual Team and these offices pertain to the Ritual Team: Fred Durocher, Arator; Frank Smith, Sgt. At Arms; Don Curran, Junior Governor; Art LaBelle, Governor; Buddy Baker, Prelate and Ernie Dumond, Senior, Past Governor. Come along and see our team perform some evening.

Married Couples

Workshop June 6-8

Dr. Willis Ploof, Springfield Psychiatrist and Marriage Counselor, will join Fr. Thomas Griffiths, C.P., and the West Springfield Passionist Retreat staff in an experimental marriage workshop, June 6-8. Designed for couples with growing children, the workshop will deal intensely with interpersonal adjustments in marriage enrichment, lectures will also deal with marriage theology and spiritual growth. The workshop team sees this plan as a giant step forward. Church programs must respond to couples' need for self understanding, communication, the ways to grow in adjustment.

Dr. Ploof emphasizes that much marital grief could be spared couples. Before crisis-stage in marriages, partners must find enlightened understanding of their spiritual and psychological roles as spouse and parent. The workshop will also provide opportunity for recreation as well as mutual reflection.

\$12,000 Paperweight

New York
A rare glass paperweight was sold for \$12,000 to a Chicago man who bought 32 paperweights at an auction here.

Arthur Rubloff spent a total of \$60,000 for the paperweights. The \$12,000 was paid for a Baccarat crystal snake weight, which shows a green and brown coiled reptile on a bed of buff, green and mica particles.

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Legionnaires

At the last Legion meeting held in Westfield, Secretary George Perry accepted, on behalf of the lodge a plaque for achievement. This is for maintaining 10% of the lodge membership in the Legion. We keep this plaque as long as 10% is maintained.

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Presidents Can Still Learn



At the annual installation of officers of the Peirce School Parent Teachers Association held last Tuesday evening at the school, Mr. David Skolnick, handwriting expert, above at left, shows outgoing president Phyllis Mason and incoming president Mary Laramie a sample of handwriting. He spoke on the subject, "Your Handwriting Depicts Your Personality."

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Western New England College School of Law. While in the Army, as an Armor Officer, he achieved the rank of 1st Lieutenant. He is a member of the West Springfield Lodge of Elks.

Atty. Govoni at present is a claim representative for the Travelers Insurance Co., Spring-

field, Mass. He resides at 3 Alfred Circle with his wife, the former Judith A. Brown of Agawam, and their two sons, V. Michael and Jeffrey.

Atty. Govoni is the son of Mrs. Anna Govoni of Farnum St., West Springfield and the late Victor Govoni.

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No Equal

Like the nickel cigar, the five-and-dime store has disappeared into limbo. Many of today's youths have, very likely, never heard of the five-and-dime since today a five-or-ten-cent piece has about as much purchasing power as the famed wooden nickel. But, it is also a safe bet that today's youths are among the best customers of the descendants of the "Great Five-Cent Store," which first introduced the low-priced variety store.

The company that gave birth to the five-and-ten celebrates its 90th Anniversary in 1969. The F. W. Woolworth Company has today grown into a chain of 3,381 stores, with sales in 1968 totaling \$1,906,479.85. The company's operations currently extend into 10 countries. In the U.S. alone it employs over 62,000 people. Long ago, the five-and-ten cent ceiling price for merchandise carried in its stores was abandoned. Today these stores are highly diversified, carrying more than 50,000 different items with price tags that occasionally go over \$100. Although emphasis is still placed on quality at a minimum price, the modern retail outlets of this company have become a broadly-based complex offering fine jewelry, television sets, refrigerators and fashions for the entire family. As one of America's great merchandising institutions observes its 90th birthday, the greatest lesson to be found in the history of its growth is in the fact that it is a product of the competitive, free market system. As such, its success through the 90 years of its existence has depended upon one factor more than any other—the ability to keep abreast of the changing tastes and demands of consumers.

Here is a perfect illustration of how a free market and consumer choice have led to the development of a mass merchandising system in the United States that has no equal.

Give Them A Hand

"Boypower '76" is the title of a new, long-range expansion plan adopted by the Boy Scouts of America. It will run until 1976, the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the U.S. as a nation. It is aimed to double Scout membership to some 6.5 million.

There was never a more important time in the history of our nation for young people to learn respect for law and order as the basis for their future rights, opportunities, obligations as citizens, and the perpetuation of the liberties they are privileged to enjoy.

Commenting on "Boypower '76," the Long Island Lighting Company in its company publication says: "The success of Scouting for boys of all ages is reflected in the enthusiasm and interest of the volunteer leader. He teaches ideals along with the skills, has a genuine interest in the program, and demonstrates that his great concern is in seeing boys grow."

Encouraging young men to work together, to strive for personal goals in citizenship, community service, vocational exploration, social skills, personal fitness and outdoor living, are the very foundation stones of a government under liberty and law.

The volunteer leaders in Scouting can render a service beyond price. They deserve our wholehearted support. They can help build respect for law and order and property rights that seems to be somehow lacking in our educational system. Give "Boypower '76" a hand today, and the boys will be a steady influence in our country tomorrow.

Vacation Time Again

For the young, there is no freedom to compare with that which comes with the closing of school. The exuberance of the young as they savor release from the necessary disciplines of the classroom is a wholesome thing to see. This is pure escape, the kind that adults dream about but never achieve. Even for the children, pure untrammeled freedom loses its shine in the latter days of summer when the "nothing to do" stage sets in. Freedom, to be enjoyed, must be earned, and even then, its richness is lost where there is no ultimate sense of direction or minus factor such as household chores that tend to preserve an appreciation of freedom.

The ending of the school year, and the watching of the children in their new-found freedom and the manner in which they use—and abuse—that freedom, should have a special meaning for the adult world today where freedom is being used and abused in ways no one could have foreseen a few short years ago.

Getting The Best Of Your Lobster

Don't be afraid to order or serve lobster; it does take skill and practice however. Broiled lobster should come to the table with the large claws cracked. The claws may be cracked further at the table with a nutcracker. The claw meat is removed with a seafood fork or a nut pick and then dipped into melted butter or mayonnaise. Large pieces are cut

first with a fork and knife. The tamale (green) and the roe (coral) are eaten with the fork and are considered delicacies. The small claws are pulled off and cleaned between the teeth, quietly.

"What am I to do with this?" grumbled the motorist as the police clerk handed him a receipt for his traffic-fine payment.

"Keep it," the clerk advised. "When you get four of them, you get a bicycle."



YMCA Outdoor Pool Opens Friday

Mario Sakellis, Executive Director, announced that the Outdoor Pool at the YMCA at 108 Parry Lane is opening on Friday, May 30th, and on week ends until June 23rd when it will be opened daily.

The large T-shaped pool is open to all members of the YMCA. Anyone who wishes to join may do so by calling the Agawam "Y."

Pool Hours

The pool is open from Monday through Sunday 1-8 p.m. Boys and girls in grade school must be accompanied in the pool by an adult after 5 p.m. and on Sundays. Swimming instruction for both youth and adults are available.

Leaders Pass Aquatic Exams

Mario Sakellis, Executive Director of the "Y" announced to

day that the following leaders attended a Leaders Examiners Aquatic Institute at the Melrose YMCA recently and all three passed their leaders examiners tests, Joseph Modzelewski, Karen Ruddeforth and Jean Gallerani.

The YMCA Leader Examiners Aquatic Certificate entitles a leader to pass youngsters in their swimming classes and is also a qualified Senior Lifesaver.

greens, brownie, orange wedges, milk.

ROBINSON PARK

Monday: Juice, meat ball grinder w/sauce, buttered carrots, cheese sticks, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Oven baked chicken, sweet potatoes, buttered broccoli, rolls/butter, ice cream, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger on buttered roll, relish, buttered corn, sliced pickles, white cake w/strawberry topping, milk.

Thursday: Elbow macaroni w/meat sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad or peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, tossed green salad, dessert, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, steamed franks on buttered roll, mustard, relish, lettuce-tomato salad w/french dressing, cheese sticks, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, peanut butter on rye, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Italian spaghetti w/meat spaghetti sauce, A.B.C. salad, buttered vienna bread, orange citrus jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Citrus juice, submarine sandwich w/meat, cheese, lettuce, buttered mixed vegetables, vanilla peach pudding w/topping, milk.

Friday: Baked beans w/catsup, grilled cheese on rye, fruit slaw salad, ice cream cup, milk.

Twins Mothers

To Meet June 2

The Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will hold their meeting on Monday, June 2, at 8 p.m. at the Dante Club, Memorial Ave., West Springfield.

There will be a short business meeting conducted by the Club President Mrs. Gerard Morneau of Springfield.

Mrs. Donald Robitaille of East Longmeadow, program chairman, will introduce Capt. Robert Meffan, the speaker for the evening. Capt. Meffan's topic for the evening will be "Drugs and Their Effect on the Youth." Capt. Meffan has been on the Springfield Police Force for 23 years, the last 3 years he has been head of the Springfield Crime Prevention Bureau.

This will also be Father's Night, all fathers are invited to attend and hear this very timely talk. Refreshments will be served.

Any Mother of Twins wishing to join the Club may contact Mrs. Robert Hawley of South Hadley for information.

If guns are outlawed then only outlaws will have guns.



June 2

through

June 6

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Orange juice, meat loaf w/creole sauce, mashed potato, buttered corn, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/butter icing, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, hamburg on roll, mustard, relish, catsup, sliced onion, candied sweet potato, buttered green beans, cheese wedge, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple crunch, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, frankfurt on roll, mustard, relish, catsup, school baked beans, cabbage/carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, raspberry-prune pie square, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, chicken a-la-king on hot buttered biscuit, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, macaroni w/meat sauce, garden salad, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg and gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, vanilla pudding, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes), pickles, potato chips, apple sauce cake, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, meat loaf, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Thursday: Juice, spaghetti with meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Friday: Juice, sloppy joe on bun, peanut butter sandwich, buttered carrots, fruit cup w/oatmeal cookie, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfurts on roll, corn, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, meat ball grinders, carrots, cheese wedge, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Macaroni in tomato meat sauce, bread/butter, green beans, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Juice, bologna/cheese on roll or peanut butter sandwich, fresh fries, tossed salad, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese or peanut butter sandwich, cabbage-

carrot salad, apple sauce, potato chips, cookies, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, meat ravioli w/meat tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburg gravy, fluffy rice, whole kernel corn, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Shell macaroni w/meat sauce, broccoli, bread/butter, pineapple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grilled hamburg on roll, relish, catsup, cheese cubs, vegetables, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza w/tomato sauce, buttered carrot, cheese finger, cookies, fresh fruit, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Baked beans w/frankfurts rings, stewed tomatoes, carrot sticks, hot corn bread, bread/butter, rosy applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Browned pork w/gravy, whipped potatoes, bread/butter, buttered leaf spinach, raisin bread pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hot chicken sandwich, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce, buttered green beans, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, orange fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Baked fishsticks, scalloped potatoes au gratin, buttered kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, citrus fruit cup, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Orange juice, ham salad in grinder roll, potato chips, buttered green beans, fruit, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburg gravy on mashed potato, whole kernel corn, bread/butter, butter cake w/chocolate frosting, milk.

Wednesday: Shell macaroni w/meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburg on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, catsup, buttered carrots, chocolate cake, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese or peanut butter sandwich, cabbage-

Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

John F. Moriarty of 116 Graner Dr., Feeding Hills made a hole-in-one at the Chicopee Golf course, 8th hole, May 19th.

Russell Labbe, son of Mrs. Norman Wood of Sylvan Lane, Feeding Hills, has recently been appointed to a permanent police position in Holyoke. A 1967 graduate of Agawam High School, Mr. Labbe makes his home with his grandmother at 754 Liberty St., Springfield. He will attend police school at Westfield State in September and Spanish classes at Holyoke Community College.

On Tuesday, May 27th Orville S. Burt, Past Commander of WWI Barracks #396 was once again installed as Commander for 1969-1970 at the National Guard Armory. The hot covered dish supper was served at 6:30 p.m. and attended by all the Barrack members and Auxiliary.

Among the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred H. Bissonnette who are active in V.F.W. work and WWI Card Parties with Comdr. Burt.

Commander Burt is the founder of the local Veterans' of Foreign Ware Post #1632 and recently received a citation from them to that effect at their Joint Installation. Comdr. Burt and Mrs. Burt make their home at 167 Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

Ginger Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wood of Sylvan Lane, Feeding Hills, was awarded 1st prize in exhibition riding and 2nd prize for showmanship at the "Ponderosa" on School St., Agawam. Miss Wood rode her chestnut brown Welch pony named "Lightening."

Hampden County Guild Set Coin Show June 8

The Hampden County Numismatic Guild will sponsor a Coin Show on Sunday, June 8th, at the Eastern States Exposition grounds. The show being the last of the season will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There will be 29 leading dealers at Bourse Tables to serve your numismatic needs. All roads lead to one of the best dealers from five states who will display their best.

Chairman of the show is Bob Smarse assisted by Arthur B. Stone.

Admission is free with free parking . . . and plenty to eat.

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Fort Number Four

(CHARLESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE)
by RICHARD JOHN CURRY
6 South West St., Feeding Hills, Mass.

A cold March wind swept across the open meadow. Fort Number Four stood its ground, a lonely northern sentinel against a background of heavily forested mountains. West of the fort the icy waters of the Connecticut River continued to cut away its steep embankment. It was the twenty-seventh day of the month in the year 1747.

Captain Phineas Stevens studied the fort momentarily. He nodded approval. Stevens was a determined man, but more important he was unafraid of any task put before him. Massachusetts had made a wise decision in selecting this officer from Sudbury to defend the isolated outpost. For years the marauding bands of French and Indians had been a constant thorn in the side of the New England settlements along the river.

If there were to be a continuation of harassment from Canada, Captain Stevens knew that he and his band of thirty men must be prepared. Spring was setting in upon them. The picturesque Connecticut River provided the enemy forces with a water highway from Canada to within striking distance of the northern settlements in Massachusetts.

Stevens was not to be disappointed in his anticipation. Within a week of their arrival the guardians of Number Four felt a strange uneasiness. On the morning of April seventh, a lone soldier moved across the clearing outside the fort. In no time the scout was surprised by a number of Indians who forced their victim to flee within the safety of the fort. The fight had begun!

Like a page from Walter Edmonds' "Drums Along The Mohawk," the painted warriors kept up a stream of musket fire amidst a chorus of hideous war-whoops. The savages seemed to lurk behind every tree stump and within every visible bush. Behind the stockade Stevens and his men held their ground.

Taking advantage of a strong wind, the Indians under the command of Boucher de Niverville, attempted to set fire to the Fort. The plan might have proven successful had it not been for the quick thinking of Captain Stevens who ordered his men to set about digging trenches outside the exposed wall. These trenches, six to seven feet in depth, provided sufficient protective cover for a man to stand upright while wetting down the logs of the wall, thereby preventing any chance of fire.

By morning of the following day the enemy, realizing the futility of their efforts, called for a parley with the defenders of the Fort. Captain Stevens might have expected the purpose of this meeting. Both sides agreed to a truce whereupon the French commander requested complete capitulation of the Fort or he would massacre the entire garrison. Captain Stevens' men were not to concede so readily.

Again the siege began! The meadows resounded with the echo of gun fire and war cries, but still the enemy made no headway against the stronghold. There was little else the attacking force could accomplish. In the words of the Historian, Francis Parkman: "... an open assault upon a fortified place was a thing unknown in this border warfare."

Another morning dawned and a second parley was called by the enemy. This time the Frenchman stated his willingness to leave the area on condition that Stevens would replenish them with ample provisions. The shrewd Captain from Sudbury managed to outguess his adversary by suggesting that de Niverville relinquish a number of hostages for a given quantity of corn. In effect this bit of bargaining was an attempt to secure the release of an English captive being held prisoner in Canada.

Although disappointed, tired and hungry, the band of marauders declined Captain Stevens' terms. The Fort had been saved, but the Indians continued to attack and ravage other settlements along the route.

Because of his heroic efforts against the enemy, Captain Stevens was to gain the respect of his fellow New Englanders. He was further commended by Commodore Charles Knowles who presented Stevens with a silver-hilted sword. For this act of recognition the other members of the settlement reciprocated by renaming their town Charlestown instead of Fort Number Four.

POSTSCRIPT

Through the endless efforts of a group of historically minded people, Fort Number Four has been painstakingly reconstructed. Undoubtedly the future shall see further restoration and additional construction to the present edifice. For a number of years, 1746-1761, this outpost experienced a series of attacks by bands of French and Indians intent on pillaging the New England towns along the Connecticut River Valley.

The fort served as a rendezvous for Major Robert Rogers and his men following their successful attack on the St. Francis Indian Village in 1759. It is believed to have been the gathering place for General John Stark and his forces prior to the Battle of Bennington in 1777.

The fort grounds and museums are open to the public daily from mid-June through Labor Day from noon to 6 p.m. or as otherwise scheduled. A small admission fee is charged. It is suggested that any interested tourist write for a free information folder:

Old Fort Number Four Associates,
Charleston, New Hampshire

A very pleasant ride awaits you since the fort is within easy driving distance from the Springfield area. Simply follow Route 91 North or Route 5 North to Bellows Falls, Vt., where you cross the river and bear left a short distance to the quaint New England town of Charlestown, New Hampshire. The fort grounds are located just outside the settlement.

Japanese Chain Negotiates With Howard Johnson

Tokyo

A major Japanese restaurant chain, Royal Company, said it is negotiating with Howard Johnson Enterprises of Boston to open a chain of Howard Johnson restaurants in western Japan.

A spokesman for Royal said negotiations are expected to be completed late next month. He said Howard Johnson would make no capital investment in the venture but would allow Royal to operate the restaurants under the American company's name.

The spokesman said it was planned to open the first Howard

next year and have 20 restaurants operating within five years.

New Oil Wells

In Alaska

New York

Atlantic Richfield Company says it is drilling two oil wells on the Alaska north slope, which has been called by some industry sources the most promising petroleum area in North America.

The location where the wells are being drilled is owned jointly by Atlantic Richfield and Humble Oil & Refining Company, a subsidiary of Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

The new wells bring to nine the number that Atlantic Richfield and Humble have there.

LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

By Mrs. Donald Catchespaugh

W-T Unit #185 News

On June 5, 6, and 7th, delegates from Agawam Unit: President Gladys Belcher, Senior Vice-President Jane Whalen and alternates Junior Vice-President Peg Brown and Executive Board member Jennie Bousquet will join other area representatives at the Massachusetts Auxiliary Department Convention. Since the original convention site at Swampscott has burned down, arrangements have been made with the Sea Crest Hotel in North Falmouth for accommodations.

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held on Monday, June 2nd. The public is invited to take part in the Civil Defense program that will be held that evening.

LEGAL NOTICES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGAWAM, MASS.

May 21, 1969

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 that the Loyal Order Moose Lodge #1935, George G. GEBO, Mgr., has applied for a license to sell Alcoholic Beverages of the following kind: Seasonal All Alcoholic as a Club at 14 North St., Agawam, on first floor consisting of bar room and game room, or lounge, all on one floor.

EDWARD W. CONNELLY
GEORGE L. REYNOLDS
JOSEPH DELLA-GIUSTINA
Licensing Board

(May 29)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN ss PROBATE COURT To all persons interested in the estate of EMMA MELLOR late of Agawam in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last Will of said deceased by LOUIS E. STRATTON of Springfield, praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of May 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register.

(May 15-22-29)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LEVY ON AN EXECUTION HAMPDEN, SS.

January 31, 1969

Town of Agawam

By virtue of an Execution which has been issued on a judgment recovered in the District Court of Springfield, holden at Springfield in the County of Hampden, on the third day of January, 1969, in favor of ROBERT PIQUETTE of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, against WILLIAM ST. JOHN of 28 William Street, Agawam (Feeding Hills), Hampden County, Massachusetts, I this day at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon have levied and taken all the right, title and interest which the said William St. John had in and to the following described real estate, on the first day of October, 1968, Document #25459, at 4:59 P.M. in the afternoon, being the time and date the same was attached on mesne process:

The land with the buildings thereon located in Agawam, (Feeding Hills), Hampden County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Parcel 1. A certain lot of land with the buildings thereon beginning at a point distant about one hundred fifteen feet (115) from the southerly line of Springfield Street, said point being the northwesterly corner of lot 26 on plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, book of plans 2, page 158, said lot 26 being lot #32 (thirty-two) on plan of lots called Avondale Park, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 4, page 45, and running thence southerly along the westerly end of said lot 26 fifty (50) feet; thence westerly parallel with the southerly line of a tract on said plan first mentioned marked C, one hundred twenty-six (126) feet to the easterly side of Poplar Street; thence north-easterly along the easterly line of Poplar Street to the southwesterly corner of said tract C; thence easterly along the southerly line of tract C, ninety (90) feet to the place of beginning.

Parcel 2. Lot #32 (thirty-two) as shown on plan of lots called Avondale Park, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 4, page 45, to which plan and record thereof reference is hereby made for a more particular description, said lot #32 being shown as lot 26 on plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, book of plans 2, page 158. Subject to restrictions of record, if now in force.

And on the 7th day of June A.D. 1969 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on the Hampden County Superior Court house steps, Elm Street side, Springfield, Hampden County, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest in and to the above described real estate to satisfy said Execution and all expenses and charges of sale.

WILLIAM Z. CHIZ
Deputy Sheriff & Auctioneer
(May 22-29, June 5)

JOHN J. BODUCH
Deputy Sheriff and Auctioneer

(May 15-22-29)



DOUGLAS R. HENRY



JOSEPH R. BEWES

**COLLEGE NEWS**

Amherst, Mass.—The University of Massachusetts Stockbridge School of Agriculture has announced the names of 245 candidates for associate degrees in the Stockbridge School Class of 1969. Commencement will be May 31st in UMass Alumni Stadium.

Local students graduating are: Joseph R. Bewes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald A. Bewes of 16 Warren St.; Douglas R. Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Henry of 420 Main St.; and Charles R. Santinello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Santinello, 21 Birch Hill Road, all of Agawam.

All three are graduates of Agawam High School, class of 1967.

Drexel Institute of Technology, Phil., Pa.—Cadet Sapelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sapelli of 244 James St., Feeding Hills was selected for one of the 1338 Army ROTC two-year scholarships for the 92 colleges and universities in the 15-state First Army area, for the 1969-70 school year.

Full tuition, books and fees, plus \$50 per month during the junior and seniors years will be given to the Cadet.

Cadet Sapelli is currently a sophomore in Business Administration and slated to graduate in 1972. He is a member of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity and is active in Drexel's Newman Club. He also serves in Drexel's cadet Ranger unit.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—Two

Western New England College students from Agawam recently attended the 1969 College-Business Symposium in Worcester.

Leon T. St. Pierre, son of Leon J. St. Pierre of 350 Meadow St., and a senior marketing major, is a dean's list student, active in the Newman Club and currently serves as vice-president of the WNEC Marketing Club.

Frederick V. Mottle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil G. Mottle of 65 Forest Rd., and a senior accounting major is also a dean's list student, active in Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, former president of the WNEC Accounting Association and a member of the freshman orientation committee.

The Business Symposium, sponsored by the Worcester Chamber of Commerce was designed to bring students and prominent businessmen together to discuss pertinent business and economic issues.

My Neighbors

"I'm really a post-impressionist!"

It's easy to make generous poncho bibs for youngsters. Use one cotton terry bath towel for each bib. Just cut a circle out of the towel's center and edge the circle with cotton binding.

At Your Service

EUGENE H. LUND
Director of Veterans Services



"Compensation" and "pension" are two important words for veterans and their dependents. They are often used interchangeably by the public but, to the Veterans Administration, their meanings are vastly different.

The VA explains that "compensation" is payment the VA makes because of a disability suffered in military service.

The payment may go to a veteran who has been disabled by an injury or a disease that originated or was aggravated while he was in active service. In case of death for such a service-connected disability, compensation payments go to the veteran's survivors.

The financial condition of the recipient is not taken into consideration in cases of compensation payment.

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is paid to wartime veterans or their dependents on a basis of need for disabilities or death due to causes not connected with military service. The income of the recipient has a direct bearing on the amount of the pension.

Information on these and other benefits is available by mail, phone or personal inquiry at any local VA office.

* * *

The highest military award for bravery that can be given any individual in the United States is the Medal of Honor, first presented in 1863.

Since the award of the first coveted medal, a total of 3,228 has been presented through March 1969, with 77 resulting from heroic action in Viet-Nam.

One privilege that accompanies the Medal of Honor is a special payment of \$100 a month.

According to the Veterans Administration, \$340,800 a year is paid the 284 current recipients.

The VA pointed out that there are many benefits generally available to veterans, their families and dependents.

Information on these benefits may be obtained from any VA office — addresses and telephone numbers of which are conveniently listed in the white pages of telephone directories.

Storrorwton

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—Peter Russell, general manager, has announced that Storrorwton Theater will adopt a special half-price matinee ticket plan for Golden Agers and Senior Citizens throughout Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut.

Russell said that Golden Agers and Senior Citizens will be invited to attend matinees Wednesday at 2 p.m. and Saturday at 4:30 p.m. throughout the entire 1969 summer season at Storrorwton.

The season will open the week of June 23-28 with Paul Ford and Dorothy Loudon in the Broadway hit "You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water Is Running." Also scheduled at Storrorwton are: "Happy Time" with Ray Bolger, July 14-19; "Mame" with Jane Morgan, July 22-Aug. 3; "Your Own Thing," Lesley Gore, Aug. 4-9; "On Time," Alfred Drake and Lana Cantrell, Aug. 11-16; "How Now Dow Jones, Aug. 18-23; "Hello Sucker," Martha Raye, Aug. 25-30; and "The Student Prince," stars to be announced.

VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The first game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winning door prizes were Margaret O'Connor, Marie Boulrice, Philomena Beauvel and Emma Piancenza.

Mystery prize winners were Margaret O'Connor, Grace Pyne and Betty Allard. Ladies ace prize winner was Iona LaRace and Louis Franchere for the men.

The high score prize winners were: Ladies—1st Mildred Cole, 2nd Iona LaRace, 3rd Delia Cadorette, 4th Betty Allard; Men—1st Lawrence Duclos, 2nd George Pierce, 3rd Howard Thayer, 4th Gaston Allard.

The next card party will be held at the same place . . . day . . . time . . . see you there!

News Of Servicemen**1st LT. BABYOK WITH 75th TECHNICAL RECONNAISSANCE**

AUSTIN, Tex.—First Lieutenant Robert F. Babyok Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Babyok Sr., of 129 Doane Ave., Agawam, is a member of the 75th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Bergstrom AFB, Tex., that has received the Daedalian Weapons Systems Maintenance Award.

The 75th, which represented the Tactical Air Command in stiff Air Force-wide competition for the annual trophy, was cited for its high operational proficiency during year-long evaluation.

Lieutenant Babyok, a supply officer, is a graduate of Westfield (Mass.) High School. He received his B.A. degree in history in 1967 from St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vt., where he was commissioned upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program.



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Now We Understand

Some weeks ago, I wrote my opinions regarding "How To Complain." This week let us consider the matter of "Communication" and concentrate specifically on the irritating problem of "rubbish collection."

All of us understand that communication has basically two prime facets. One pertains to the originator of the communication and the other to the receiver. It is my opinion that the originator has a distinct advantage over the receiver. This is due to the fact that, he knows what he intends his message to be. The receiver must interpret the intent of that message in the correct light. This is not always as easy to do as the sender would expect, because words and expressions often have bilateral meaning.

In Municipal communication the problem is compounded due to the lack of facilities available to Town Administrators to relay their message to the people. Private institutions are not handicapped in the same manner. They may resort to advertisement through various media including newspapers and television. This, the Town generally cannot afford to do. As a matter of practice, newspapers may accept the Town's administration change in policy as newsworthy at the date of the change but will not accept it as newsworthy more than once.

This means that those of us who have missed the article in its only publication will have to learn the facts elsewhere. Where and when is only a matter of chance.

This is the case in respect to rules and regulations regarding rubbish collection in our Town. As space allows, may I write you my interpretation of this problem.

First, why did we shift from D.P.W. collection to collection by a private contractor? Simply be-

cause, it can be done with less expense to the Town. Competent D.P.W. labor is hard to come by. Cost and maintenance of a "packer" is expensive. Incentive is realized by competition through private enterprise. We expect at least a savings of \$5,000 per year by this transfer.

Why is the service offered by the present contractor apparently not as complete as that previously offered by our Town forces?

When the collection was made by our D.P.W. group, there was no competition. Rules did not have to be stringent. If collections were heavy, the men worked extra hours and were paid accordingly. They did not have to rely on profit. A private contractor must or he fails. To answer your daily complaints about present refusal to pick up leaves and lawn clippings, under the former policy our D.P.W. was not expected to pick up these items. If they did pick them up, it was done inadvertently.

Under the present contract, only household rubbish and debris of a compressible nature is to be collected and it must be placed in proper containers. We emphasize the word "household" because it has, more or less, definable limits. If that word was eliminated in the contract some people would expect "anything" placed in proper containers would be eligible. This would be an impossible task for the collectors because some of us would put weighty substances in the barrels as well as garbage, etc. We have agreed, after conference, to accept a reasonable amount of lawn clippings, etc., if placed in proper containers. Otherwise, why can't all of us either help the "cause" by going to the dump ourselves or wait for the "Town clean-up" which shall come twice each year?

United States Post Office Announces Postage Increase

THIRD-CLASS MAIL: For single pieces, rates would be increased one cent per piece. This would yield \$12.4 million. For regular bulk third-class, the minimum would be increased to a uniform rate of 4.2 cents January 1, 1970, as contrasted with the present rate of 3.6 cents. The 1970 increase would lift revenues by \$46.8 million annually.

American bombers were over Berlin.

"Hurry," the hausfrau shouted to her husband. "Let's go to the shelter."

"I can't find my false teeth," yelled the husband.

"What do you think they're dropping, sandwiches?"

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V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

INSTALLATION

On Saturday, May 24th, the Joint Installation of Officers took place at St. Anthony's Hall on Springfield St., Feeding Hills.

A crowd of 200 people gathered to see Commander Netkovick and President Katherine Dickinson installed with their officers.

The hall was tastefully decorated in red, white and blue and we must thank the group that went up on Friday night to do the preparing. Comdr. Netkovick, the Adelmans', the Dias', the Dickinsons, and Mrs. Smith (Mrs. Dias' mother from Boston) for its beautiful appearance. Even the lawn received a haircut and trim from Jim Stelato.

Mrs. Dias received her Past President's Pin from Inez Goss, the installing officer for the women.

Commander Netkovick presented his sister, (Miss Netkovick) P.P. Dias and President K. Dickinson with arm bouquets of red roses when he introduced his family. Comdr. Netkovick awarded a citation to Orville Burt, founder of the Post in 1952, a 100% membership citation to Quartermaster Wilfred Bissonnette and two plaques to Betty Curran and Toimi Tammi for their hospital work. Quartermaster Bissonnette presented the Commander with a citation for paid up 100% membership saying in part "One cannot do it alone so we must work together."

Poppy Chairman Mahlon Inman presented the Auxiliary Chairman Anna D. Bissonnette the "Buddy Poppy Trophy" which the ladies won and is now placed on display at the Post Home. Mrs. Bissonnette thanked all the workers, complimented them on the hall and its decorations and congratulated all the officers of the Post and Auxiliary.

President Katherine Dickinson presented the installing team with handkerchiefs, dusting powder and corsages made by Anna Bissonnette.

Speeches from P.C. Brady Snyder and Comdr. Netkovick told us of Vietnam, and the world unrest. Installation Chairmen B. Snyder and Emily Dias thanked all who helped in any way. At the roll call of Posts and Auxiliaries, all congratulated the officers and wished them well.

Winners of the prizes were Robert Craig and Eddie Planzo.

A delicious smorgasbord was prepared and set on a beautifully decorated table in the downstairs hall. We wish to thank for the food, decorations, publicity, and all the unseen work that went with making this in-

stallation a success: the 2 installing teams, Comdr. Netkovick, Pres. and P.C. Dickinson and P.C. Snyder, P.P. Dias, Eleanor Appleman, Anna Hayes, Qm. and Treasurer Bissonnette, Hospital Chr. Betty and Don Curran, and P.C. and Mrs. Adelman and Channel 22, W.W.L.P. for the flash — on they had on T.V. of the affair.

LITTLE BITS

Still need stamps for the T.V.; Still serving Friday Night snacks.

Working hard preparing for Memorial Day "Open House" were: Anna Hayes, Lou Craig, Betty Curran, Beulah Hocker, Lynn Meyers and Anna Bissonnette, on May 25th at the Post Home.

At the Auxiliary meeting, May 20th, the Ladies purchased a ticket to send P.P. Dias to the Western County Council banquet on June 7th. Also sent the delegates fee and luncheon fee to Dept. Conference for Betty Curran. The Treasurer's books were audited and accepted at the Installation. Two \$75.00 Scholarships were awarded to 2 high school pupils. (Names later).



Good and Cheesy

A savory cheese sauce, rich and creamy smooth, can do wonders for vegetables, such as beans, cauliflower, and potatoes. This cheesy sauce is lightly thickened with a small amount of corn starch, giving it the delicacy associated with a perfect sauce. For a flavorful change, try it over an omelet.

Cheese Sauce

1 tablespoon margarine
1 tablespoon corn starch
1 cup milk
1/4 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
8 ounces cheese, shredded (about 2 cups)

Melt margarine in small saucepan. Remove from heat. Mix in corn starch; gradually mix in milk, salt and pepper. Bring to boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Boil 1 minute. Add shredded cheese; stir until melted. Remove from heat. Try adding pimiento for flavor and color. Serve over vegetables.

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KEEP IT CLEAN

by Virginia M. White

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DEAR MRS. P.J.: Add 1 cup white vinegar, 3/4 cup Super Cleaner, 1 cup NON-chlorine powdered bleach and 1/2 cup low sudsing, low alkalai detergent. Immerse the clothes for an hour and add 1/2 cup Super Cleaner to final rinse water. Goodbye iron!

DEAR MRS. WHITE: Kids and soda go together, but the stains are terrible. H.A.R.-RASSED.

DEAR H.A.R.-RASSED: Treat stains promptly with cold water. Launder with hot water, 1/4 cup Super Cleaner, 1/2 cup detergent, and 1/4 cup NON-chlorine bleach.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: My son is allergic to enzymes in presoakers and many of the new detergents, so I must use a mild washing soap. My wash suffers. HELPLESS.

DEAR HELPLESS: Yours is not an uncommon problem. Use one of the many Super Cleaners such as Miracle White with your regular soap. Usually 1/4 cup will give you the added cleaning power you need.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: My young son spilled mercurochrome on the bathroom throw rug. MRS. L.S.

DEAR MRS. L.S.: Sponge stains immediately with equal parts denatured alcohol and water (dilute alcohol with two parts water for colored materials). Test for colorfast and launder in hot water adding 1/4 cup ammonia, 1/4 cup detergent and 1/4 cup Super Cleaner.

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Jr. High Students Get Essay Awards

Mr. John McCarthy, Senior Vice Commander of the Agawam D.A.V. and Recording Secretary of Veterans Memorial Day Committee was the guest speaker at a recent assembly held at the Agawam Junior High School in observance of Memorial Day.

Mr. McCarthy also presented awards to the following students: Jose Conti, first prize; Karen Blackwood, second; Joanne Draghetti, third; Ellen Fuller and Carol Moran, honorable mention in the Memorial Day Poster Contest.

Carol Waytovich won first prize; Steven Farnsworth, second; and Lois Leonardi, third, in the Memorial Day Essay Contest. David Simmons was the master of ceremonies for the assembly.

Rhubarb Bread

Pudding

2 cups of diced rhubarb
3/4 cup of sugar
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
1 1/2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 cups of bread crumbs
1 cup of milk
1 beaten egg

Mix all together, put in buttered dish. Dot top with butter. Bake one hour at a temperature of 375 degrees F.

Grandma's rhubarb-under was so easy to make that she often let me assemble the ingredients and bake it.

A woman told her husband as they left home for a party: "It seem to me that if he's old enough to ask for a blond instead of a brunette babysitter, he's old enough to stay by himself."

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